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APPRECIATE OPPORTUNITY REITERATE IMPORTANCE OF EUROPEAN
CONTRIBUTIONS TO RFE-RL. IT REMAINS CLEAR THAT WITHOUT
SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN FOREIGN FUNDING ASSISTANCE PICTURE,
RADIOS WILL BE IN JEOPARDY IN THIS NEXT SESSION. IN 1972
IN RESPONSE TO ATTACKS SENATORS CASE AND FULBRIGHT, GENERAL
PUBLIC, ACADEMIC COMMUNITY AND PRESS RALLIED AROUND AND
CREATED ATMOSPHERE WHICH RESULTED IN SOLID CONGRESSIONAL
VOTE FOR CONTINUATION RADIOS. IN 1973, HOWEVER, IN FACE OF
CONGRESSIONAL ALARM ABOUT GROWING COST OF LIVING, DIMINISH-
ING DOLLAR, AND ECONOMIC EFFECTS OF CLOSING DOZENS MILITARY
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BASES THROUGHOUT US, THERE WAS DRAMATIC SHIFT WHICH LEFT

RADIOS WITH RAZOR-THIN MARGIN OF SUPPORT. WE ONLY NARROWLY MISSED CRIPPLING REDUCTION IN APPROPRIATION SPONSORED BY SENATOR PASTORE. IN AFTERMATH THAT CLOSE CALL, LEADING SUPPORTERS OF RADIOS, INCLUDING SPECIFICALLY SENATORS PERCY AND HUMPHREY, WARNED US THAT CLEAR, IDENTIFIABLE CONTRIBUTION FROM NATO MEMBERS WOULD BE ESSENTIAL TO KEEP RADIOS GOING. AS YOU CAN APPRECIATE, NONE OF BASIC ELEMENTS HAS CHANGED SINCE FOREGOING ESTIMATE WAS DEVELOPED LAST OCT. THUS, WE REMAIN CONVINCED THAT IT IS ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL TO WIN IDENTIFIABLE CONTRIBUTION FROM AT LEAST SOME NATO

MEMBERS IF WE ARE TO SUCCEED IN OUR EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF APPROPRIATIONS THIS YEAR. KISSINGER

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